Dear Members of the FCC:

I respectfully urge you to reject all legislative attempts to harness the broadcast freedoms of satellite radio, especially with regards to local traffic and weather channels.

Although I live in a rural area I recently returned from a week-long trip to the east coast. While on the road it was extremely valuable to me to be able to tune into the traffic and weather reports for cities such as Chicago and Washington, D.C. before I actually was within terrestrial radio signal range. My ability to receive those timely broadcasts from my XM service allowed me to make judgements about how I should approach those large metropolitan areas.

If you take away my opportunity to receive those broadcasts via satellite it will impair my ability to travel in a safe manner through our nations largest cities. Restricting such broadcasts to terrestrial radio is not in the best interests of consumers or the public at large.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dana J. Harris